

## TELEGRAPHIC.

Winnipeg, Jan. 21.

John Redmond, M. P., Parnellite leader, is in Ottawa.

Several United States banks closed their doors yesterday.

The world's wheat decreased 4,000,000 bushels last week.

Gold has been discovered in Van Horn township, Algoma.

An earthquake, attended with loss of life, occurred at Delvino, Albania.

The Imperial parliament was formally opened by royal commission on Tuesday.

Five surveying parties are in the field in the Lake Harrold district, laying out good locations.

The congress immigration bill contemplates the exclusion of Canadian labor from the United States.

Exports of Canadian butter to Great Britain increased 47,197 cwt. in 1896, and cheese 189,593 cwt.

The general arbitration treaty was discussed in the committee of the United States senate yesterday.

A steamship has arrived at Hamburg from Bombay with sickness aboard, suspected to be bubonic plague.

The Dominion public accounts show a deficit of \$350,951, in consolidated account and an increase of net debt of \$5,422,505.

Henry Delgado, the New York newspaper correspondent, died in Havana from the effects of an operation.

Charles was found guilty of the murder of Sergt. Wild, and sentenced to be hanged on March 10th at MacLeod.

The Imperial authorities decline to assist Canada in investigating the navigability of Hudson's Bay, believing that the navigation is impossible.

The tariff commissioners have concluded their enquiries at Quebec, and have gone to St. John, N. B., Winnipeg is the only place in the West they will visit.

In the Imperial house of commons yesterday, the question of amnesty for Irish political prisoners was brought up, as an amendment to the Queen's speech.

## TO-DAY'S TRAIN.

One car floor for the H. B. Co., one car sundries for various parties.

## LOCAL.

MIDWINTER is passed.

TRAIN left Calgary on time.

BOUNTY has been claimed on 55 coyotes.

JOS. KELLY left for Sandon on last train.

CITIZENS' hall to-morrow night in Robertson hall.

SEVEN commercial travellers arrived on Monday's train.

G. DESJARDIS, trader, left for Lesser Slave lake yesterday.

R. SECOND shipped 18 hales, containing over 2000 coyote skins, on last train.

JOS. KELLY has only leased, not sold, his interest in the livery stable to J. Lubbock.

S. WILSON, of Red Deer, returned south on Tuesday's train after a short visit to Edmonton.

MR. and MRS. EDMISTON gave a pleasing at home last evening to a large number of their friends in town and country.

A. H. MARTIN has a very handsome head of black tailed deer, the horns of which somewhat resemble those of moose.

J. H. GRIERSON, of the C. P. R. telegraph service, came in on last train, looking after the working of the line from Calgary.

THREE rinks of Edmonton curlers have entered for the Calgary bonspiel.

The ship are A. Taylor, R. Vance and T. G. Laidler.

THOS. DALY has been appointed secretary-treasurer of Clover Bar school district, in place of R. E. Holbrook, who held the position last year.

JOHN A. McGUIVER, supreme secretary of the I. O. O. F., will arrive on tonight's train to install the recently elected officers of Court Edmonton No. 1346. He will also deliver an address on the objects of the order.

MCKANLASS, the negro violinist and banjo player, had a fair audience in Robertson hall on Tuesday evening. His performance was interesting and varied and was received with every manifestation of approval.

Fun sales: G. Desjardis to Ross Bros., \$1,155.40; L. Paseneuve to H. B. Co., \$186; J. Ladouceur to R. Second, \$583; W. G. Ross, \$20; The Morges, \$25; and small lots \$240, to W. B. Stennett; small lots to Jas. Walsh, \$40.

CAPT. DAWSON's lecture in Robertson hall on Wednesday night, "What is the sun?" was not as largely attended as its merits deserved. Mr. McCawley, M. I. A., was chairman. The lecture was listened to with interest throughout.

The choir of the Presbyterian church will render "Crossing the Bar" next Sabbath evening, by special request. The music is composed by Rev. H. H. Woodward, which is a sufficient guarantee of its excellence and the words are taken from Lord Tennyson's works. The choir rendered this piece two weeks ago with great expression.

The La Cigale Comedy Co. will produce a laughable play, "The Wedding March," in Robertson hall on Monday, Jan. 25th.

"The Wedding March" is a five-act burlesque by W. S. Gilbert, and the public may expect two hours of genuine fun and amusement. Plan of hall at Cann's music store. The company are compelled to put on the play sooner than they had intended on account of the departure of Mr. de Journal, who leaves on the 29th for San Francisco.

WM. TAYLOR, of lake St. Ann, recently shot a grizzly bear under very ticklish circumstances. He had followed the tracks, supposing them to be those of a black bear, and did not know the difference until when within a few feet of the bear's den the grizzly rushed at him. He had only two prizes in his rifle. As the bear appeared he fired and fortunately the bullet struck the animal on the bone over the right eye, passing through the brain and out at the back of the head. Had the bullet struck half an inch higher the ball would certainly have glanced, and the bear would have had the best of the encounter. The head has been brought to A. H. Martin, taxidermist, to be mounted. The fangs are very large and some of the double teeth are very much decayed, showing that the animal must have suffered from toothache. This would naturally make it much more fierce even than usual.

A LIBERAL association was organized at Stony Plain Center on Friday last. M. McKinlay was elected president and Mr. Dammhauer vice-president.

P. CARPENTER shot a lynx yesterday in the woods near his residence on Fraser avenue. The animal had been chased up a tree by a daughter of Mr. Wylie, who kept it there until Mr. Carpenter got his rifle.

MEETING of council of the Edmonton board of trade yesterday afternoon. Strong resolutions were passed regarding railway extension of the C. & N. to the boundary and other important matters. Committees were appointed on the tariff.

THE sisters of the general hospital beg to acknowledge with thanks the handsome donation of \$100 from officers of the H. B. Co. in the McKenzie river district, through the kind intervention of Mrs. Cowie, who has been a good friend to the hospital, particularly in favor of the poor. The cheque for the above amount, which was made payable to the order of Sister Mary Xavier and addressed to Mrs. Cowie, reached Edmonton in August, but owing to the absence of Mrs. Cowie, who was at the time on a visit at the coast, the letter was sent from out post office to an agent in search of her, and failing to find Mrs. Cowie it was sent to the dead letter office in Ottawa. It at last reached its address in December, when the cheque was duly handed to Sister Mary Xavier by Mrs. Cowie. The above will account for the delay in receiving the money.

## VITAL STATISTICS.

The following were the Edmonton district registrations for six months ending Dec. 31st, 1896: 18 deaths, 17 marriages, 129 births.

## TUESDAY'S SHIPMENTS.

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## FORT SASKATCHEWAN.

The police court cases at Fort Saskatchewan on Saturday and Monday before Col. Jarvis, resulted as already stated in H. Calvert charged with assault by Constable Brown, being fined \$5 and costs, and W. Boss being found guilty of creating a disturbance, but let go on suspended sentence. Charges against Mr. Davis for assault on a constable and against H. Calvert for assaulting Sgt. Dunn, while arresting him, were deferred. Constable Watt charged with creating a disturbance was not brought before the civil authority. Mr. Bown, who appeared for Calvert, has given notice of appeal. N. D. Beck, crown prosecutor, appeared for the prosecution.

The evidence was very voluminous in the Calvert case, occupying all Saturday until ten o'clock at night. Judgment was reserved until Monday.

The story of the police was that after the dinner given on the evening of Jan. 9th, by the police hockey team to the Edmonton Thistles in the Mansion House a row started in the public room. Constable Dwyer was trying to quiet a noisy man when Calvert seized him by the neck. Constable Brown attempted to protect Dwyer and Constable Harding interfered between Brown and Calvert. Calvert struck at Harding and ablow reached Brown on the nose. Brown then went to the barracks for a patrol who arrested Calvert. About the same time Constable Watt and W. Boss were found fighting in the back yard, and were arrested for creating a disturbance. Calvert and Boss were both released forthwith, pending trial.

Calvert in evidence on his own behalf stated that he did not lay hands on anyone. That he was struck first by Harding, and that what he did was done strictly in self defence. He admitted a grudge against Dwyer, but it did not appear that he had any against Brown or Harding.

The substance of the story as gathered from all sources by the BULLETIN is that there has been ill-feeling for some time between certain civilians of the vicinity of Fort Saskatchewan and certain members of the police force at that post. Calvert is a large man and one of the "Fest men" amongst the civilians, but is not quarrelsome. Constable Harding, of the Edmonton detachment, although a light man, is a prize boxer. There is very little doubt that the presence of each of these gentlemen at the festivities was due to some extent to the prospective presence of the other. At any rate when the trouble began it seemed to be a general understanding that it was between those two only, and for a time there was a lively interchange of blows, without interference by anyone. The blow received by Brown was either purely accidental or merely because he got in the way. He retired at once for reinforcements and reappeared with the patrol. After the scrap between Calvert and Harding had progressed for some time, the former got his man "in chancery," which ended the fight in his favor. The civilians look upon the subsequent legal proceedings as an attempt on the part of the police authorities to whitewash the breach of discipline involved in part being taken in a fracas of this nature; and resent it accordingly. They consider either that the affair should have been ignored; as neither of the principals were making any complaints; or that when notice was taken of it both civilians and police taking part should have been dealt with alike.

## CURLING.

Schedule—Merchant's prize.

Taylor—McKay.

Calder—Lauder.

Lauder—Vance.

Doubles—Patrons' prize.

Ribotson—De Roux.

McCauley—Pleard.

The tie for second place in the points competition of last Saturday between F. Robertson and J. A. Calder was played off, and won by Robertson.

## LONDON FUR SALES.

At the Hudson's Bay Co. sales on Monday last beaver went 12½ per cent lower than last January, and rats 2½ per cent higher.

At Lampton's on Tuesday the 19th, and succeeding days, beaver went 12½ per cent lower than in March last; black and brown bear and marten the same as in March last; grizzly bear 10 per cent lower than in March last. Spring rats 10 per cent lower, winter the same as and fall 16 per cent higher than in March last. Mink, red fox and lynx are still to be sold. The prices realized are an improvement on the October sales and are much better than the circulars of the principal fur houses indicated.

## MADAME ALBANI AND MISS BEVERLEY ROBINSON.

Toronto Evening News, Jan. 8th.

The people of Canada are interested in the association of Miss Beverley Robinson, of Toronto, daughter of the late Lieut.-Governor of the province, with Madame Albani in her present season's tour. It is pleasing from a Canadian standpoint, to note the popularity and success that have come to these two Canadian artists. At all points, commencing with Halifax and ending the leading cities throughout the Dominion, success has come to the Albani concert of this year—a success that has been accentuated in the satisfaction secured in the use exclusively of the Heintzman & Co. concert grand pianos, a Canadian piano that has had honors heaped on it not alone in our own country, but in all parts of the world.

J. T. BOWLEY is agent for the above piano for Edmonton and district.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### TOWN OF EDMONTON



## NOTICE.

Applications will be received by the undersigned up to noon on the 27th day of January, 1897, for the following positions, viz:

Town Clerk and Assessor at a salary of \$500.00 per annum.

Auditor at a salary of \$300.00 per annum.

THOS. HIRSTON, Chairman Finance Committee.

PUMPS—Tatloes Tatloes Pipe, 25c. a foot, cylinder, \$1.00. Head, \$7.00. Placed and in working order.

AMOS SWERSEFEGER, Ross' Flat, Edmonton.

## NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Trans Canadian Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada, at its next session, for an Act to change the name of the Company, to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the Company's railway, and for power to construct a branch from a point near the northeast end of Lake Winnipeg and thence to Fort Factory, Hudson's Bay, also a branch from a point near where the proposed main line of the company will cross the St. Maurice River in the Province of Quebec, and thence southerly by way of Joliette in the City of Montreal.

GEMMILL & MAY, Solicitors for Applicants.

Dated at Ottawa, this 22nd day of December, A. D. 1896. 24-1

## JUDICIAL SALE

OF

Brewery Property,

PLANT, ETC.

The property of the Edmonton Brewing & Malting Company (Cairns & Kelly) situate in the Town of Edmonton, N. W. T., and consisting of one acre of land fronting on the Saskatchewan river, brewery building, plant, outbuildings, stock-in-trade, etc., will be offered for sale at public auction on

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12

1897, at 2 p. m. at the premises.

Full particulars of property and conditions of sale can be had on application to the undersigned:

Andrew McKillop, Receiver and Manager, Edmonton.

Meek & Emery, Advocates, Edmonton.

H. C. Taylor, Auctioneer, Edmonton.

Dated at Edmonton, the 11th January, 1897. 24-2

Section. To. B. Acres. Taxes. Int. Total.

2 W. cr. 34, 45, 25 160 8.40 9.40 17.80

2 E. cr. 15, 45, 25 160 8.40 9.40 17.80

2 S. cr. 15, 45, 25 160 8.40 9.40 17.80

2 S. cr. 36, 44, 25 149 8.35 9.35 17.70

Dated at August Bldg, this 16th day of January, A. D. 1897.

W. WILSON, Treasurer.

## NOTICE!

Notice is hereby given that on the 25th day of February, next, at the hour of 2 o'clock, p. m., at the Battle River School House, there will be a public sale of the School Outlines of the North-West Territories, provided for the sale of land for areas of school lands, No. 287, N. W. T., Canada.

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## NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION.

During the past year we have endeavored to do our business as near a cash basis as possible, and having come to the conclusion that it is best for our customers as well as for ourselves, we have resolved to continue our business along the same lines for 1897, and respectfully ask our many customers to assist us in carrying out our good resolution. In doing so we thank them for past favors and solicit a continuation of the same.

Our lines are still complete. We are anxious to reduce our stock before the spring goods arrive, so we will offer

Bargains in Clothing, Fur Coats & Caps, Moccasins, Rubbers, and Overshoes.

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Tea 60c a lb.

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40c a pound

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**FRANK OLIVER, — PROPRIETOR.**  
EDMONTON BULLETIN, JANUARY 21st, 1907

#### THE TARIFF.

The West wants a readjustment of the tariff that will as far as possible

1st. Relieve the producer from that part of the tariff burden which exists for the benefit of the manufacturers or other private interests, and not for that of the treasury, and

2nd. Shift a fair share of the burden of taxation from the shoulders of the producers of the country to those of the holders of the wealth of the country.

They do not ask that there shall be no tariff, or for special advantages under the tariff; but they do ask that the tariff shall be so adjusted that they shall not be placed at a disadvantage under it. That the proposed readjustment will be along these lines there can be no doubt. A revenue tariff will have to be maintained. This is universally conceded, and what the farmers want is that they shall be given a square deal under it. In an agricultural country such as Canada it is nonsense to say or suppose that agriculture can be relieved from bearing the greatest share of the public burdens. For if the farmer did not supply the taxes no one else could. But under the plea of keeping up the price of his produce by protection he has been bled for more than his share of the public burdens and has besides had to supply the fortunes of the millionaire manufacturers and railroad magnates. That is where the kick comes. An equitably adjusted revenue tariff would leave him all the protection that he practically received under the misnamed (for him) protective tariff, and would relieve him of all but his fair share of the public burdens. During the recent elections it was preached to the farmers from every platform that such protection as they enjoyed on their produce would be cut away if the liberals attained power. Now that a readjustment of the tariff is in sight it might be as well to give the government a thorough understanding of the position of the western farmer on this question. As long as he has to pay for incidental protection to other industries under a revenue tariff, he expects the rest of the community to pay for incidental protection to his industry under a like tariff fairly adjusted. It does not matter whether the actual advantage to the farmer throughout the Dominion is large or small, he expects that his industry will not be discriminated against under the new tariff, either on the one hand or on the other. If under certain conditions, or in certain localities, or with certain products, the farmer will derive a benefit from the incidental protection afforded by a revenue tariff, he expects to receive that benefit, and will see that he gets it. The farmer is not a philanthropist any more than is the manufacturer; and while he understands that on the bulk of his produce he does not and cannot get even incidental protection, that does not in any way interfere with his desire and demand for such incidental protection as is fairly coming to him under a properly adjusted revenue tariff. The new government must rely largely on the support of the farmers. It would be a suicidal readjustment of the tariff that would leave a loophole for an argument by their opponents that the farmers' interests were not properly conserved.

**NO MONOPOLY.**  
The news that Senator Cox and Robert Jaffray of the Globe, have secured a controlling interest in the British Columbia Southern railway will be received with mixed feelings by the people of the West. To see men of ability, wealth and influence such as these invest in western enterprises is indeed gratifying. It is a substantial evidence of eastern interest in western affairs. At the same time western people are unable to divest themselves of the idea that these gentlemen are going into the British Columbia railway scheme strictly for what is in it, and that possibly their acknowledged political influence with the new government may be used to advantage themselves unduly at the public expense. In this connection it may as well be fairly understood from the start that the people of the West object just as strongly to paying Messrs. Cox and Jaffray (through monopolistic privileges which may be granted them) money that they do not owe them or for which they have not received full value as if their names were Smith and Van Horne. A Cox and Jaffray monopoly, if granted, will be just as much a drawback to the prosperity of the West as a monopoly held by any other parties. It is the monopoly we object to, and to the government which grants it.

**MANITOBA EXTENSION.**  
By all odds the most able contribution on the subject of the annexation of a part of the Territories to Manitoba is from the pen of T. A. Patrick, M. D., of Yorkton, Assa., and appears in the Free Press of Jan. 13th. Dr. Patrick resides in a part of the Territories which immediately adjoins Manitoba and which is commercially tributary to Winnipeg. And still his letter is a most emphatic protest, taking the most solid ground, against the annexation of that part of the Territories to Manitoba. While we in the far West are not likely to be taken in by the extended province, and can see no great disadvantage to us in the possible detachment of the eastern part of the Territories from our Territorial organization, we can have no other wish

than that the best material interests of our fellow citizens of the eastern part of the Territories should be served, in whatever re-arrangement may take place. When such emphatic protests are entered by those most intimately concerned, there must be some good reason for it which is entitled to full consideration. Dr. Patrick puts the grossly material side of the case as follows: "You have aped the older provinces with your mortgaged municipalities and much pledged credit, and have forgotten that your conditions were different. We have found rural municipalities, though voluntarily organized, to be unsuited to our conditions, and we have disorganized them, and we propose to do without them till density of rural population makes 'parish councils' a necessity. In the meantime school districts and statute labor districts give us all the rural municipal government we need. Our public credit is still unpledged, and we propose to keep it. We have no interest to pay on money sunk in rusting railroads and in assumed indebtedness of bankrupt municipalities bled to death by bonuses, and with due deference to your opinions we know would even as individuals, feel the burden of your debt if annexed to you, whether directly taxed to pay its interest by a provincial tax or indirectly taxed through needless municipal organizations. Our settlers in range 30 are better off than yours in range 29." The last sentence quoted is the true test. If the settlers of range 30 are really better off as far as local government is concerned than those in range 29, it would be an injustice to them to make their position less favorable, and it should not be done. If the Northwest has been really better governed than Manitoba during the past fifteen years there is no particular reason why it should not continue to be so governed. Especially there is no reason why the people of Assiniboia should be saddled with the consequences of the mistakes made by the people of Manitoba; and that they have made mistakes which have unduly increased the burdens of the people cannot be denied. Compulsory municipal organization such as prevails in Manitoba would be if possible a greater curse in the Territories. Although receiving a much smaller proportionate subsidy the Territories have a far larger proportion of their subsidy available for what may be called productive expenditures, that is construction of public works and support of schools.

**FALSE ALARM.**  
Ottawa despatch so Winnipeg Tribune: The report from Washington that Charlton and Farrar are there representing the Canadian government is wholly incorrect. Neither have at present any right to speak for Canada. Charlton at a future period may have something to do in this direction, but Farrar will not. Just now neither speaks for the government. They represent themselves, if they happen to be in Washington.

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The Winnipeg Nor' Wester does not favor the idea of annexing Eastern Assiniboia to Manitoba. It concludes: "Greenway and Laurier would gain much, though Manitoba and Eastern Assiniboia would gain nothing. That is what the whole thing amounts to."

**WINNIPEG ELECTION.**  
The election of Hugh John Macdonald, M. P. for Winnipeg, has been declared void on account of bribery by agents. The proceedings have been stayed, however, until after the preliminary objections are disposed of by the supreme court. The charge of personal bribery was abandoned as no evidence could be produced to support it. The Tribune publishes a statement by Hon. Jos. Martin, who was defeated by Hugh John Macdonald that he will not be a candidate in the election now rendered necessary.

#### THE CROW'S NEST.

Regina Leader: Some eastern papers and certain western papers too, assume that a government or private company railway through the Crow's Nest would be at the mercy of the C. P. R. Co. Such papers surely forget that Lethbridge is already connected with the Great Northern railway by the narrow gauge line from that point to Great Falls, and that, therefore, Crow's Nest railway traffic could find egress and ingress independently of the C. P. R. The Great Falls line to Lethbridge is already fitted in road bed, culverts, etc., for standard gauge, and it is stated that whenever building of the Crow's Nest is begun, the gauge of the Great Falls line will be widened. This is one refutation of the statement that the C. P. R. would have the Crow's Nest line at its mercy. But there is stronger refutation than that. If the government builds the line, and its business is hampered in any way by the C. P. R. Co., it will be the government's own fault. The Canadian government is in every sense stronger than any railway company in this Dominion. When railway companies dictate to the government, we may rest assured it is not because the government is bound by weakness or force of circumstances to accept dictation, but because it does not choose to assert its strength and independence. It may be quite true that the government can not revoke the provisions of the C. P. R. contract and force reduction of rates on that railway before the earnings will pay 10 per cent. to the shareholders (which means never); but it is not less true that the government can devise means of forcing reduction other than by revocation. On the day that the C. P. R. managers see that the government are in real earnest about procuring freight and passenger rates relief for the Northwest and British Columbia, on that very day those managers will humble themselves before the Northwest so suddenly that paying freight bills will be a pleasure and to buy a railway ticket will be a delight.

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## LACOMBE LINKS.

The temperance meetings which were held in the churches here, and conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan, were a grand success, having been attended by large and attentive audiences; closed on last Monday evening, at which meeting a prohibition league was formed with Dr. E. M. Sharpe as president; H. B. Howell, vice-president; Mr. McCully, secretary; Mrs. Morton, treasurer; and a committee of Rev. E. J. Chegwinn, Rev. J. Fernie, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Howell and R. Foreman with power to add to their numbers, and over a hundred besides signified their willingness to join the league. A good deal of interest was shown, which we hope will continue until we have the privilege to vote on the plebiscite.

Mr. Tolman and Mr. W. F. Puffer were appointed trustees in this school district at the annual meeting held in the school house.

The annual meeting of St. Andrew's church congregation will be held on Tuesday, the 19th inst., at 7:30 p. m.

D. D. G. M., C. W. Sutter, of Edmonton, visited Eureka lodge U. D., A. F. & A. M. here last week and conferred a first, second and a third degree and returned on Thursday's train.

Sparrow shipped a car of fat cattle from here on Friday's train.

BIRTH—On Saturday, Jan. 9th, the wife of Thomas Teare of a son.

18th Jan., '07.

## SLOCAN DISTRICT.

Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Lying between the Canadian Pacific railway and the International boundary and between the Columbia and Kootenay rivers is a region extremely rich in silver. It is almost impossible to give a correct idea of the geography of this district without a map, and even with a map considerable explanation would be necessary. The Columbia and the Kootenay in their windings through the mountains run in every possible direction and almost encircle an area of nearly 20,000 square miles, over all parts of which the precious metals are found. There is gold in the north and in the south, but the silver deposits seem to be scattered all over it. The richest deposits of silver and the greatest number in any one locality are found in the country between Kootenay lake and the Slocan lake. It is from this latter that the silver district has come to be known as the Slocan, although it would be an error to suppose that all the silver mines are there situated.

The silver deposits of Kootenay were an accidental discovery. In 1886 some prospectors were looking for placer near the Kootenay river and their horses wandered away. One of the party went in search of the animals, and on ascending what is now known as Toad mountain he stumbled upon an outcropping of ore. He broke off a sample, which was assayed on their return to civilization, and was found to carry \$300 of silver to the ton with a large percentage of copper and a little gold. This discovery led to the thorough prospecting of the country for silver, and the outcome of this has been, to-day the Slocan is undoubtedly the most promising silver region in America. The original discovery of Toad mountain has become famous under its name, the Silver King, but is often known as the Hall mine. It is a great producer, is equipped with a smelter of its own, and is a very profitable mine.

The Slocan, strictly speaking, is that piece of country lying between Slocan lake on the west and Kootenay lake on the east, the distance between the two lakes being about 20 miles. Measured north and south the district would be approximately 20 miles long so that "The Slocan" has an area of about 400 square miles. The town of New Denver, on Slocan lake, is at the western extremity of the district, the town of Kaslo on Kootenay lake, at the eastern extremity. The belt between these towns is chiefly argentiferous, the predominance of ore being silver lead. Northward copper takes the place of lead and southward gold becomes more prominent. The country rock in the central portion of the Slocan is mostly a soft slate. This is very easily worked, the veins of ore are exceedingly well defined, the cost of mining is comparatively light. It has been called a poor man's country, for the reason that many of the discoverers of mines are able to develop them themselves. Toward the south granite takes the place of slate, and here the pay streaks of ore are smaller, but they are richer. In the slate belt the veins runs from two feet in width up to the Slocan Star the vein is 40 feet wide. Most of the mines "pay from the grass roots." There have been very many locations made in the Slocan and the neighboring country during the past two years, but a great deal of ground yet remains to be examined, not just in the vicinity of the working mines, but within a radius of 20 miles of Sandon, the chief town of the district. The principal properties so far are in the valley of the south fork of the Carpenter, but during the last summer excellent locations have been made on the North Fork of that stream, which runs up into a "dry ore" region, or where the ore carries a large percentage of copper. There are many excellent properties along the Kaslo river, and very lately

some excellent claims have been filed along the south fork of that stream.

The towns of Slocan are: Sandon, situated in the valley of the south fork of the Carpenter. The Slocan Star lies less than a mile to the south of Sandon; the Noble Five and other well known properties a little to the north. Sandon has a population of about 1,500 people, and is a lively town. The townsite is not good, being in the valley of a stream which is apt to take charge of things in its own way. New Denver is a thriving place of between 500 and 1,000 people. Kaslo has perhaps twice as many people as New Denver and is a very wide awake place. For means of transportation the district is pretty well provided. The lakes afford excellent means of water communication, enabling the miners to ship out their ore either by way of the Canadian Pacific, the Nelson & Fort Sheppard, or the Great Northern by way of Bonner's Ferry. Two lines of railway enter the Slocan. The Canadian Pacific has a line from Nakusp, from which point connection is maintained by boat with the Revelstoke branch of the main line. This road extends from Nakusp to Sandon by way of New Denver. The Kaslo-Slocan railway is a narrow gauge line, which runs between Kaslo and Cody, passing through Sandon. Another line will probably be built at an early day from the centre of the district down the Slocan river to connect with the Crow's Nest Pass railway at Nelson. Of all the mining districts of the Northwest none is in a more prosperous condition or has a better outlook for the future than the Slocan. The opinion of men who have had experience in all sections of the continent is that the region is one of exceptional promise. It would be impossible in a brief sketch like this to do more than give a catalogue of the localities surrounding the Slocan where promising deposits of mineral have been found during the last two years. On Kootenay lake is the little town of Ainsworth, and in the mountains around this town are many good locations, chiefly of high grade ore, and some shipping is being done. Towards the northern extremity of this same lake, that is in the vicinity of Lardeau, there have been many promising discoveries and much work is being done. Indeed, it is impossible to indicate any direction in which there are not evidences of vast wealth. As a mining expert recently said, "The whole country is mineralized to a degree that surpasses anything elsewhere in the known world."

## HON. J. I. TARTE ILL.

A Montreal despatch says: "Hon. J. Israel Tarte, who was taken ill in Ottawa, is confined to bed in his house on St. Denis street. No persons outside of his family and immediate relatives and his attending physicians are allowed access to his room. The illness is not considered at all dangerous and with a complete rest of a week or ten days it is hoped his usual health will be restored."

## LESSER SLAVE LAKE.

St. Bernard Mission, Jan. 6, '97.

## EDITOR BULLETIN.

SIR: Let me tell you a few words about this far north country where I have been for a few months past. A sketch of the manner in which Christmas and the feasts following were celebrated will show how the mission has succeeded so far.

As the merry bells of Christmas peal forth the midnight hour we enter the little chapel. Its usual sombre aspect has given way to a blaze of light, and we might say a garden of flowers. The joyous sounds of "Enton-nou un joyeux Noel," greet our ears as we come in. The imitation of the infant Saviour reposing in a rocky cave is really very good. His Lordship, Bishop Clut, sings the Pontifical high mass, and is assisted by the reverend fathers of the missions. The singing executed by the children of the convent under the direction of the Sisters of Providence was really splendid. The mass in C by Alys Wuerth, the Annunciation by Sanilotte, the Hodie Christus by J. L. Battman, and many other hymns in French and Cree.

On New Year's Eve I had the pleasure of assisting an entertainment given by the pupils of the convent in the building which from want of funds cannot be completed at present. The pupils who number up to 74 are either half breeds or pure savages. Here we see such a change in them, in clothing and new ways that the parents themselves can hardly recognize their own children. The programme was executed in perfect English and French before a large audience, among whom we distinguished His Lordship Bishop Clut, Rev. Fathers Demareis, Hussion, Fallier and Lafertier and the Messrs. Harvey, Betteson, Gregory, Hamilton, Gaudet of the H. B. Co., also Beauchamp, of Larue & Picard's employ. The surprise and admiration of those latter gentlemen knew no bounds. We could hardly believe the savage children could act their parts so well and with such assurance in languages, which two or three years ago were entirely unknown to them. The evening closed by the distribution of presents furnished by kind benefactors of Montreal and Edmonton. As you can see, this far north country is growing fast in civilization and Christianity.

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## HOSPITAL AID

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Hospital Aid was held at the general hospital on Tuesday the 12th inst. A large number of ladies present. The election of the different officers of the "Aid Society," for the year took place. Mrs. Dr. Wilson was elected president; Mrs. Dr. R. W. White, re-elected vice-president; Mrs. N. D. Beck, secretary and Mrs. L. L. L. treasurer. A vote of thanks to the retiring president, Mrs. S. S. Taylor, also to Mrs. Dr. Harrison, and Mrs. Gallagher respectively for past services as secretary and treasurer.

The sisters beg to tender their sincere thanks for the untiring, selfless and kind offering of their kind wishes to all for a prosperous and happy year, beg to thank particularly all those who kindly remembered the hospital at Xmas and New Year, by sending an abundance of good things. May they in return receive from hands held dear, the grateful tribute of sympathy.

Thirty-one patients have been treated in the hospital during the last month: 19 males and 12 females.

The attending physicians for this month are Drs. Wilson and Harrison. Well as successful efforts of both officers and members during the past year. Through the devotedness of the lady officers and members along with the kind sympathy of the population of Edmonton and surroundings, the hospital has received in money from the aid society, and the proceeds of the different entertainments, excursions, bazaar, members fees, etc., the good sum of \$440.00, and from the young ladies "Medicine fund," under the judicious direction of Mrs. Kinnaird, the very acceptable amount of \$112.00. The young ladies merit great praise for their good work, and the sisters, whilst thanking them most cordially, beg of them to continue their noble undertaking. It is to be hoped that the numbers of both aid society and medicine fund may increase as the number of patients is daily increasing, who require care and medical treatment in the hospital.

## PRAIRIE AND FOREST FIRES.

### THE REMEDY.

The effect of these fires has been often enough pointed out. We understand that the loss to the Crown, the settler, the non-resident owner of unoccupied land, resulting annually from this cause, is almost incalculable. But we are content, most of us, to admit this—and to do nothing; we seem to look upon fires as we do upon the occasional summer frosts, as inevitable incidents, and due to the natural conditions, or to providence.

Here and there in the community, fortunately, are a few drastic individuals who have a pretty clear notion of cause and effect, and a live faith in the old saw that "providence helps those who help themselves," and they are inclined to act upon this faith. They by no means regard the evil as irreparable. They think they see a remedy, and have set themselves to apply it. Their plan is as simple as it promises to be effective. In brief, it is to open up the road allowances; to clear them as far as possible of all inflammable material, so that when the fire gets to one of these checks it dies for want of food—as our cattle might do some day, should we leave the fires free play to destroy the hay and grazing.

These fire-breaks, wherever introduced, offer the plain advantage of opposing a check to the spread of fires. If they fail to extinguish an unusually heavy fire, the existence of such roads presents, at least, a base of operations. It can be easily seen that it must be, always a comparatively simple matter to burn "back" from one of these roads, and to thus enlarge it to a firebreak of such dimensions that no fire, however severe, can "jump" it. If, in the absence of such cleared spaces, the settlers now endeavor to create a check intended to oppose the advance of fire, especially in a timbered country, they take advantage of any naturally clear places; if none such exist, the only thing they can do is to set to work and clear away the timber in the way of the fire. The wind may shift, alter the direction of the fire's course a little, and the chopping has to be done again, in a new place. What labor and worry all this involves is a difficult matter to make clear to any one who has not choked over it, with the terror in his soul that the effort might fail, and that his homestead might in an hour or two be a blackened ruin, ten years labor lost, and life to begin anew, on ashes.

The people of Edmonton had, early last autumn, a useful object lesson on the value of roads as fire-breaks. The report of a credible eyewitness is authority for the statement that had it not been for the obstacle to the advance of the fire, presented by Jasper Avenue, and the minor trails leading north, it is not unlikely that the intelligently directed efforts of the Police might have failed to save the town from serious damage—perhaps destruction. The roads afforded bases of operations for lack of which it would have been necessary to cut out, during the emergency, scrub and timber in the probable course of the fire. As it was, a small force of men and appliances did very effective work. What we ought to aim at is to get things in such shape that a small force of men shall be able to do

effective work. We all know how difficult it is, when the emergency arises, to get an adequate force of men and appliances to attack fire. "With one accord they begin to make excuses"—and good excuses are not wanting. A man must look after his own, first; and, naturally, it happens that when his services are demanded to help in general work of a preventive character is when smoke is thick in the air: he has his wife, family and property to think about.

Until fire checks are numerous over the entire district we shall not succeed in doing much to repress the fire evil. The settlers who recognize this palpable truth are, thank heaven, increasing, but are yet all too few. About Agriculture, and in other localities, the good work has begun, but the best result cannot follow until all over the district the settlers are awake to their danger, and alive and harmonious as to the remedy.

To form statute labor districts seems to be the requisite preliminary in getting down to business. For some years, until the government and the owners (non-resident) of unoccupied lands who cannot be compelled to pay taxes, recognize their moral responsibility, and contribute a fair share of the expense of making fire guards, the sparsely settled localities will have some difficulty in doing effective work. It is not impossible, however, that the government—at least—may be induced to contribute something directly or indirectly of the cost of work which is to have a most important influence in safeguarding the valuable crown property in timber still existing on the public domain.

This is not a prairie district, it presents, in regard to roadmaking, more serious difficulty than is encountered in the true prairie region. To make roads or fire breaks in this district is more costly than in a prairie country by the expense involved in getting the timber removed, which, indeed, is the chief item of cost in the greater part of Northern Alberta.

Under these circumstances, the appropriation of the Territorial government to assist in local improvements, and which is doubtless distributed on a per capita, or area, basis, does not take into account the extra cost of road work in this part of Alberta. Although a mile of road here may cost as much as ten miles in the prairie country the fact does not appear to influence the division of the general grant which the legislative Assembly devotes to the assistance of the several districts.

It is possible that this manner of dividing the Territorial fund, imperfect as it undoubtedly is, is the best that can be done at present, and that whatever good work we may accomplish in the near future, in road work and fire-check work, must be due to local effort. It is a matter in which every one ought to do what he can.

The railway (which owns about half the lands in this district, and which lands are being enhanced in value by every day's work, by every dollar of the settler's expenditure) ought to assist generously in this work. Logically, there is no reason to justify the company in refusing to assume its share of the burden. Unfortunately, railway companies are never generous, never logical, never just. So long as Parliament permits the present General Railway Act to remain as it is we shall never find any manifestations of the above qualities in the operations of railway companies. The railway executives hold positions of trust, and the shareholders expect that the executives will in every case get for them all, to the last cent, that the General Railway Act, and the special charter, of the company, permit. The test of the capability of the company's officers is the success with which they extract that "last cent." This is no doubt the reason why the Edmonton people have to pay double rates for a third class service; and it is the reason, too, why we calmly set about improving without thanks or compensation, the value of the company's lands.

## BLAIR IN OTTAWA.

Ottawa Free Press interview: "The main purpose of his trip was to look into the feasibility and the need of building a line of railway through the Crow's Nest Pass. Of these points he was convinced by his own investigation. The need is there for the road. The growth and development of the province calls for it, and the only question is what the government shall do in the matter. The people of the west would like to see the government build and operate the line. They would then be assured of reasonable freight charges. The Canadian Pacific railway is desirous of building and already has the necessary charter. Mr. Blair had been interviewed at a hundred different points as to his views, and made no definite promises. He will lay the matter before his colleagues, and whatever is done will be in the interest of the people."

## METEOROLOGICAL.

The following temperatures are reported from the Dominion government observatory, Edmonton, for the dates given:

	Max.	Min.
Monday, 18,	30	—
Tuesday, 19,	34	—
Wednesday, 20,	26	—
Thursday, 21,	—	—

Barometer reduced to sea level 29.012.

## HOCKEY.

The hockey match between the married and single men yesterday, which was played for a barrel of flour to be given to the hospital, resulted 6 to 2 in favor of the married men, the single men, therefore, having the pleasure of presenting the flour. There were quite a number of spectators present and considerable interest was manifested. The following are the members who played:

MARRIED.	goal	SINGLE.
G. Corrie, goal	Const. Harding	
T. G. Lander, point	M. Matheson	
G. Thompson, cover	Geo. Voyer	
J. G. Fairbanks, points	Mr. Skinner	
Geo. Bull, forwards	James Ross	
A. Griffin, forwards	L. Goodridge	
T. P. Cairney, forwards	J. W. Kelly	

## FALSE ALARM.

"Shot" who was supposed to be lost in the Athabasca and Joseph Ladouceur, of Lac la Biche, with small loads of fur. The report of "Shot" being lost arose through a misunderstanding. Shot and St. Paul, his partner occupied the same camp, but visited their traps separately. For about a month it happened that their visits to the camp alternated, and they did not see each other for that time, although each one knew that the other had been there. St. Paul mentioned this to another trapper, who in talking to some Indians also mentioned it. The Indians caught the idea that "Shot" had not been seen for a month, and did not catch the reasons why. They then spread the report of his death. He is still very much alive.

## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Alberta—J. M. Moran, Beaver Hills; E. Brosseau, A. Prince, St. Albert; L. Moret, F. Fraser, Tim, J. F. Forbes, J. B. Ross, A. E. Voyer, Fort Saskatchewan; H. Morden, E. H. Taaffe, W. B. Tomlinson, John McDonald, Winnipeg; W. T. Smythe, Acton; J. Stafford, St. Catharines; R. Johnston, Calgary.

Jasper—J. Coleman, Belmont; F. B. Edmiston, Clover Bar; J. Higgins, Leduc; W. J. White, J. Kams, J. C. Graham, A. Voyer, Fort Saskatchewan; Geo. Bull, D. A. Craig, T. R. Haddon, Sturgeon; J. Williams, Clover Bar; R. Ochner, South Edmonton; Mrs. Brox, S. J. Trescott, Stony Plain; A. H. Green, Calgary; P. Bibbee, Miss Clara Bibbee, Manawan, Mrs. Thomas, Beaver Hills.

## WESTERN SUGGESTIONS.

Free Press: Amongst the mass of letters received in answer to the request for suggestions for subjects to be discussed at the convention the following has been received from the Edmonton Board of Trade:

C. N. Bell, Esq., secretary Board of Trade, Winnipeg.

Dear Sir:—I have been desired by the Edmonton Board of Trade to acknowledge the receipt of your invitation to this board to take part in the convention of business men at Winnipeg next month, and to apologize for this somewhat late reply owing to no regular meeting having taken place since the receipt of your communication.

The convention meets with our approval. The date suits us. If possible a representative will attend. We would recommend the reduction of freight rates by the coercion of the C. P. R. by government action, and the construction of competing rail and water ways; the desirability of the Crow's Nest Pass railway being immediately constructed by the Dominion as a national work; aid to the British Pacific railway; surrounded with the safeguards which a costly experience with the C. P. R. has proven to be absolutely necessary; the establishment of a Dominion department of mines on similar lines to that in such successful operation in New Zealand in attracting immigration; liberal aid from the Dominion government to the Western Canada Immigration association; and the opening up to Canadian commerce of the vast basin of the MacKenzie—which is still monopolized by the corporation from which Canada purchased it in 1870—by the subsidizing of a steamboat company, which is all that is required to quadruple the fur trade and utilize the enormous mineral wealth of that immense region—as subjects for discussion.

I may add that as a means of enabling us to supply your city with coal, we feel deeply interested in the construction of the locks at St. Andrew's Rapids; and, of course, we unite with everyone in the Northwest in the desire for the Hudson's Bay route, although our principal market for produce is and will continue to be in the province of British Columbia, and in the northern fur country.

Wishing your convention every success on behalf of the Edmonton Board of Trade, I remain, dear sir,

Yours respectfully,  
ISAAC COVIE.

## MARRIAGES.

WEST—CORBETT—At the residence of the bride's father, on Wednesday, Jan. 20th, by the Rev. A. Forbes, Fort Saskatchewan, George West, Edmonton, to Elizabeth, daughter of R. Corbett, Horse Hills.

The bride was assisted by Miss Jennie McLeay of Horse Hills and the groom by P. C. Campbell of Edmonton.

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A. C. RUTHERFORD,  
Secretary-Treasurer.

South Edmonton, 22nd Dec. 1896

## NOTICE

Having been appointed Receiver and Manager of the Edmonton Brewing and Malting Co. (Limited) I hereby notify all persons indebted to the said firm that all monies are to be paid to me or my agent at the brewery, receipts from whom only will be valid.

A. MCNICOL,  
Receiver and Manager.

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23-28

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A marked cheque for the amount of five per centum of the tender price is to be submitted with each tender, which will be forfeited should the tenderer not enter into a contract if called upon to do so.

All the work in connection with the contract to be fully completed by March 15th, 1897.

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